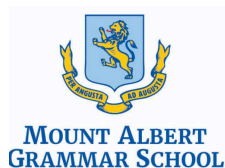




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9th-14th May 2022



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From the Headmaster

There is always hope



Tēnā koutou, e te whānau o Mount Albert Grammar School.

We finish our Term 3 as a community in grief with the recent loss of one of our MAGS students. Our thoughts and prayers are with those who most need them at the moment.

The courage of students and staff throughout this challenging Term has been commendable. We have had to restart MAGS again and again this year – and we've done that successfully.

Yet recent events have meant we have had to dig further than ever into our reserves as we wrap support around our people and the wider school whanau. And we, in turn, have received incredible support from fellow colleges, local schools and wider agencies ... thank you.

The currency of hope carries special significance for MAGS at the moment. For our sons and daughters, a pathway through adversity can and must be found. There can be no other options.

In this most unusual year, let's cherish the connection, community and care that are hallmarks of MAGS.

Our young people are taonga ... there is always hope!

Have a safe holiday period.

Patrick Drumm
Headmaster

Weekly Notices



Key Dates

Click [here](#) for the Calendar

Monday, October 12

Start of Term 4

Tuesday, November 10



Senior Prizegiving

School Ball, 6pm, Ellerslie Event Centre

Tuesday, December 8

Junior Prizegivings



Sport



Art award for stunning painting



Congratulations to Ruby Clayton for winning first prize in the youth category of the [Waitakere Art Expo 2020](#) on Monday night.

Ruby, who is pictured with her amazing oil painting *Old Man Take a Look at Your Life*, thanked her painting teachers Ms Leonard and Mrs Mulgrew for their help and inspiration. She said the work was also a product of having time to paint during the COVID-19 lockdowns.

You can see – and maybe even purchase – her work and that of other artists on show at Corban Estate Arts Centre, Henderson, until Monday.

Relay for Life raises over \$65,000



This year the Relay for Life was initially postponed to October 17 but has now been cancelled due to the second lockdown.

Despite COVID-19 interrupting plans for the original overnight event, the MAGS team still managed to raise a huge amount of money to go towards the Cancer Society. This year's grand total raised by the MAGS community was \$65,392, making MAGS the top fundraiser yet again. Money collected during Mufti Day earlier this year also contributed to this total. Relay for Life TiC Alayna Pulham said, "This money helps provide free nursing, psychology, accommodation, transport and other key services to people in our community affected by cancer. This year, 31 students raised over \$500 and will receive a 'Superhero Buff' for their massive contribution, and 135 students reached the \$200 goal. Again, we had over 300 students sign up for the event and together every contribution counted."

Relay for Life is still running an online event, with a virtual remembrance ceremony for those who have passed away with cancer on Saturday, October 17 at 7pm.

More Artistry in Action photos



Thanks to students Ruby Twist and Madison Campbell, there are more great photos of the Artistry in Action dance concert [here](#)

Although we were unable to go ahead with a public performance due to COVID-19 regulations, we did film all dances in the theatre with full lighting and costume, and a concert video is being prepared.

Thank you to those of you who had bought tickets. If you purchased tickets and are

donating the cost of one or more tickets to the Dance Department to pay for the theatre, rehearsal and technical expenses, we will send you a code to be able to watch this concert video.

However, if you are taking this option, you must make this clear in writing by emailing jcesan@mags.school.nz as soon as possible.

Thanks so much to the families that have done this already – we are preparing the video and hope to share it soon.

If you want to get a refund for tickets, you must notify finance@mags.school.nz

It would be appreciated if you could do this as soon as possible.

Note that refunds will be credited to student accounts.





Online parenting help



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Rugby Final 1946



This image, part of Historical Images Set 50, shows the Auckland schools rugby final played between MAGS and eventual winners King's College in terrible weather. Historical Images on the MAGS website is an ongoing collection of images sourced and annotated by our Archivist, Brian Murphy. For more photos like this, recently added to the MAGS website, click [here](#)

Sign up to the Centenary database

Mt. Albert Grammar School
Prefects, 1939



ALAN BLAKEY STUDIO

Back Row—K. L. Piper, L. I. D. Collard, K. L. Shaw, A. F. Tucker, H. J. H. Irvine, D. A. Anderson, W. H. Hickson, R. Amore
Front Row—M. L. Pulham, C. L. Cleal, O. G. McGregor, D. W. Rollinson (Head Prefect), K. H. Hemus, J. F. Sloman, R. F. Burton

As we get closer to our Centenary in 2022, with events planned for May 9-14, we warmly invite all Albertians to sign up to the database [here](#) to keep up to date with information, communications and events leading up to the Centenary celebration. Please encourage your friends and peers who were with you at MAGS to attend with you, and to also register at the link.

General Notices

Mt Albert Primary School



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We are turning 150 years old!

We would like to invite all past and present:

Students | Parents | Family | Staff

and anyone who feels connected to our amazing school. To recognise this once-in-a-lifetime occasion, we are planning to hold events on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th November 2020.

Please go to the school website for more information and register your interest

www.mtalbertprimary.school.nz/150th/

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